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THE POSITIVE CHRISTIAN SINGLES NEWSLETTER

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AUGUST 1993 ACTIVITIES

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY! 4 Robert Harris, Michael Dowse, Joe Reid **9** Bueris Crumpton, Doris Henderson, Rhonda Petrain **10** Michael Argroves **11** Carolyn Futch, Wayne Cuppett, James Koss **13** Sylvia Caccamo, Virginia Croft, Donald Brown **14** Jimmy Kramer **15** Vera Hibbetts **16** John Collett **17** Aggie Moxley **18** Virginia Hancock **20** Ward Griffin **21** Johnny Kier **22** Ron Rogers, Virgil Melton **23** Sylvia Jackson **25** John Barnette, Elva Jean Ferguson **26** Beth Jarvis **27** Pat McDonald **28** Pat MacDonald **29** Bill Mayne, Dennis Israel, Herb Evans **30** Larry Stallings **31** Sarah Stanley, Bobbie Croft. Note: If your August birthday has been omitted, call Idelle Dear by August 10. We'll print a belated birthday list each month until we have everyone's birthday. **HAPPY BELATED MAY BIRTHDAY! 18** Bill Gooch.

LEADERSHIP

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Dear Single Friend, If this is your first copy of our PCS newsletter, let us introduce ourselves. Positive Christian Singles is a network of over 1000 South Georgia and North Florida singles of all ages and ethnic backgrounds who attend one of many different churches or none at all. We are a self-supporting organization with no dues which is run entirely by volunteers and depends on contributions to cover expenses. Our goal is to provide you the opportunity to make new friends and have fun, fellowship, and personal growth. All singles--separated, divorced, widowed, or never married--are welcome to attend all activities; children are welcome at many activities. Just come join us! You may not find what you are looking for on your first visit but, if you give us a chance, you soon will; each one of us has been in your place. If you need more information or if you just would like a friendly ear, please call one of the leaders above. To get on our monthly newsletter mailing list, call 912-242-3797 or write us.

A Friendly Bunch!

"I CAME THAT THEY MAY HAVE AND ENJOY LIFE, AND HAVE IT IN ABUNDANCE--TO THE FULL, TILL IT OVERFLOWS." (JOHN 10:10) from THE AMPLIFIED NEW TESTAMENT

Pretty frequently, someone--especially someone who attends Divorce Support Group regularly--will tell a new participant how we're like a family to them; we in PCS are truly blessed by having such an abundant opportunity to make such good friends as these. We never have to be lonely; many other singles are just a meeting or phone call away.

Speaking of friends, **Food 'N Friends** on both Tuesday and Thursday nights have caught on. We've been having about 10+ and 15+ on Tuesday and Thursday nights, respectively. Something else that is now going strong is our **Bible Study** on the 12-Steps; we have intense learning and discussions; it's an excellent program. This month we're fortunate to have at **Divorce Support Group** the repeat of the highly popular seminar given by Sue Stokes last year, Love, Sex, & Intimacy; it's not to be missed! Finally, don't miss the big **Pool Party** at Pat Hester's home; she's a wonderful hostess and you can expect to have a terrific time!

In the **Leadership** spotlight this month is Keith Williams who has volunteered to lead **Volleyball** after Roger Nielsen's resignation. Beth Jarvis has volunteered to be his backup on nights he can't make it. Thanks and let's everyone give them our support and assistance.

Significant happenings! The **Dance** is changing! With the elimination of a paid professional DJ and the participation of several singles in planning how it can be improved, it is becoming less formal and more like a big casual home party! We are indebted to Carol Wynne, Ginny Ratts, and Patti Cowart for redesigning our program--especially the type and frequency of dance mixers. And, if no complaints about the music is any indication of a dance's success, then July's dance was a very successful debut for Brian Ferguson who ended up doing most of the DJing. Most of the evening was music played upon request. This was enhanced by the CD's and tapes of popular music which were just donated by Mary Beth Crawford and Ginny Ratts. Many more singles hung out in the kitchen around the food table which was full of snacks and a yummy chocolate cake baked by Remonda Stephens and several new snack choices from an extensive list of popular current snacks which was developed by Diana Hope. As these and other singles continue to participate in Dance improvements, we can expect it to truly become so enjoyable as to be a most looked forward to activity each month!

Sweethearts activity has increased dramatically both in number of ads and in number of replies. It's inexpensive and a great way to find someone to date--especially if you can't attend activities often. Most of the current ads are from singles who have never or rarely attend activities. Did you know that the very first ad was placed by Hershell Boyd of Ray City, GA and his only reply was from Marie Lescrynski of Madison, FL and they have been happily married for 3½ years? It can happen for you too if use it to find someone who fits what you're looking for. And, be sure to tell us!

Do you have suggestions for activities? Come to the planning meetings this month with them. Take an active role in having PCS provide for you and others what you would like. We're all volunteers in making it happen for us and for all our friends and "family".

With love for you and the abundant life, Idelle

HIGHLIGHTS OF LAST MONTH AND SPECIAL THANKS TO:

JULY NEWSLETTER This group got it done in less than 2 hours! Dan Walser, Diana Hope, Sue Lindsey, Paek In Davis, Jimmy Jackson, Mary Beth Crawford, Benny Mitcham, Ralph Murphine, Virginia Hancock, Norma Cranford, Betty Williams, and Guy Sims. Wow! What a team!

FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS Shirley Maule, Ralph Murphine, James Blair, Carol Wynne, Clytie Harnage, John Barnette, Agnes Studstill, Larry Baggett, Brian Ferguson, Pat MacDonald, and Jerry Watson (copies). Since the Dance (our fun fundraiser) provides just 25-50% of our financial needs, we have to rely on contributions for our remaining newsletter, postage, copies, name tags, etc. expenses. Thanks to those who enable us financially to make it.

MUSIC FUND Ginny Ratts made for us 17 tapes of popular artists including Air Supply, Dolly Parton, Garth Brooks, Reba McIntyre, Tina Turner, Alabama, Mary Chapin-Carpenter, Trisha Yearwood, Anne Murray, Wilson Phillips, Tanya Tucker, Billy Ray Cyrus, Michael Bolton, and Bette Midler. Mary Beth Crawford donated 10 CD's of Roger Whittaker, Roy Orbison, Shirelles, Righteous Brothers, Sha-Na-Na, Platters, After the Love, and several of 50's & 60's hits. Ginny Ratts also gave us the Bodyguard tape. These contributions made a significant improvement in the music we were able to play.

50-PLUS SINGLES DANCE PARTY Ralph Murphine who was the only one to come help set up. The band was much enjoyed!

BOWLING Beth Jarvis and Edwina Hiers for sponsoring and hosting.

BIBLE STUDY Benny Mitcham for hosting and Shelba Harrington for leading a lively discussion.

DIVORCE SUPPORT GROUP Tom Hart for an informative talk on child support collection and an inspiring motivational speech!

FLAGS 'N FOLLIES DANCE It was a fun night with the annual Men's Legs Contest. The best legs were judged by 12 women to belong to Dennis Israel. Keith Williams was voted 2nd and Ron Brockman 3rd out of a field of 12 contestants. Virginia Croft was voted the most patriotically dressed woman. Many helped make the dance a success. Brian Ferguson did most of the DJing and was assisted by Patti Cowart and Ginny Ratts; Keith Williams, Brian Ferguson, and Bob Swanson helped transport equipment; Keith Williams, Janice and Jamie Marsh, and Ron Brockman set up and decorated; Mae Pope washed tablecloths; Diana Hope spent 2½ at Winn-Dixie helping compile a refreshments list; Remonda Stephens brought snacks and a birthday cake and was assisted by Iris and Joe Brogdon in getting refreshments; Rhonda Petrain, Theresa Miller, Janice & Jamie Marsh, Carolyn Beall, Bob Swanson, Brian Ferguson, John Smock, and Dennis Israel helped clean up; and Marilyn Player donated decorations. Many commented on how much better all the mixers made the dance; thanks again to Carol Wynne, Ginny Ratts, and Patti Cowart for their suggestions on the dance program.

SCRAPBOOK Guy Sims for pictures from the Bunny Hop and Spring Fling dances; Mary Beth Crawford for pictures from Tom Gillenwater's going away party.

PUBLICITY Those who took Dottie Long's place as publicity contacts: Virginia Hancock for the Dance, Bobbi Masters for Divorce Support Group, and Diana Hope for Volleyball, Parties, and future Dances.

MUSIC FUND Brian Ferguson and Diana Hope for advising on the purchase of rock 'n roll CD's.

CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES TO: Joyce Thibault and Roy Taylor, PCS Couple #29, who met at the Red, White, & Blue Dance July 11, 1992 and were married March 20, 1993. Tom Gillenwater who will be in Saudi Arabia through December.

OUR SYMPATHY TO: Larry Baggett whose father died.

GREETINGS FROM: Fiore Barile from New Jersey. "Say hello to everyone! I may be back soon."

SEND SOME CHEER! If you know of someone who has a special need or of an occasion where a personal touch would be appropriate, let us know. Perhaps bring a card we can sign or a gift we can donate to. Let us know how we can help.

WE NEED: 70's, 80's, and 90's rock and roll CD's and cassettes. Leaders for **Parties & Outdoor Recreation, Trips, Rap Session, Walking, Dance, Dance Activities,** and **Dance Music.**

IF YOU NEED:

PRAYER Call Jackie Harris at 912-242-9883 to start our very effective prayer chain going for you. Many answered prayers!
MENTAL HEALTH 24-HOUR CRISIS PHONES 912-244-4357 (Greenleaf Center) or 912-333-5175 (LODAC). Free services.
12-STEP SUPPORT GROUPS Alcoholics, Narcotics, or Overeaters Anonymous; Al-Anon or Alateen (for families of chemical dependents); ACOA (codependency recovery for any dysfunctional upbringing). All are free. Info: Sue Stokes 912-242-6194.
VICTIMS SUPPORT GROUPS For families of victims and/or victims of sexual abuse, rape/date rape, spousal abuse, or homicide. Free. Professional leaders. Free childcare. Info: Valerie Sherer 912-242-9991. Georgians for Victim Justice. Pam Lightsey 912-244-4942.
CHILDCARE Debra Bradley, our Dance sitter, 912-333-9734.
WIDOWED SUPPORT Virginia Hancock 912-242-1883; Ralph Murphine 912-244-0175; Joanne Tipps (young with young children) 912-455-2117; Mae Pope (Survivor's Support Group, 6PM, 3rd Tuesdays, informative speakers) 912-244-6925.
FREE PRESCRIPTION MEDICINE If you qualify based on low income and lack of insurance. Info: Idelle Dear 912-242-3797.
CHILD SUPPORT COLLECTION ASSISTANCE Tom Hart with Deadbeat Dads, 912-228-9961.

MISSING NEWSLETTERS, ADDRESS CHANGES, AND MAILING LIST POLICIES: Newsletters are mailed free to area singles. Our cost is about $7 per year per newsletter. Call Idelle Dear if you don't receive yours. To help us minimize postage expense, call ahead about an address change (saves 35¢-$1), if you're getting married, or if you don't wish or need to receive a newsletter anymore. If you move over 90 miles from Valdosta, you'll automatically be removed from the mailing list unless you ask to remain on it. **PAID SUBSCRIPTIONS:** If you live over 90 miles from Valdosta or have been a Positive Christian Couple for a year or moved over 90 miles away over a year ago (unless you're a companion organization or you have been in PCS leadership, an advertiser, or a financial contributor within the last year), to be on the mailing list costs $7 per year and entitles you to one free admission per year to our Dance or 50-Plus Singles Dance Party. Subscriptions can be renewed by sending a check to PCS by the 15th of the month following the expiration notice.

WELCOME NEW PARTICIPANTS! ADEL Don Taylor **HALLANDALE** Gloria Dalton **MADISON** Ruth Lickliter **NASHVILLE** Pat MacDonald **VALDOSTA** Denise Brooks, Peggy Pippin, Bob Swanson, Nelle Stewart, Ron Brockman, Allen Hunzeker, Susan Bybee, Kate Muerer, Faye Moore, Jimmy Baisden, Rhonda Petrain, Mike Davis, James Koss, Mary Terrell.
POSITIVE CHRISTIAN COUPLES (PCC) Those who wish to remain active after marriage.) None this month.

PARTICIPANTS FROM YOUR COMMUNITY: ALBANY Elsie Tidwell **BERLIN** Fern Sellers **DOERUN** Jean Daly **FUNSTON** Gene Potts **MOULTRIE** Joe Lee Norman, Virginia Croft, Chandler Bennett, Larry Yates, Laurie McCall, Jr. Moore, Shirley Maule, Bert Booth, Angela Middleton, Frankie Wilson, Betty Martin, Mamie Rentz, Jean Jones, Sue Wisham, Sherry Jackson, Essie White, Peggy Pope, Nell Bateman **NORMAN PARK** Mann Waites, Wanda Fletcher, Katie Joyner, Bob Sears, Kay May **OMEGA** Evelyn White, Belle Fletcher.

A MOMENT OF REFLECTION BY DR. BILL GOOCH: One important ingredient in prayer is petition, that is, asking God to meet our needs such as food and drink for each day, daily cleansing from the sins we stuggle against, strength to overcome the temptations of the day, safety in travel, and deliverance from difficult circumstances. The Psalms are filled with many pleas to God to meet personal needs. David set up a special division of Levites to make petitions to the Lord. God wants us to ask for things from him in prayer. We must always ask in faith, trusting that He will hear and respond, accompanying our requests with thanksgiving to him. And, we must ask in Christ's name, for He is the way to the Father. Call me to talk more about this. Bill 912-242-7830.

WHEN ARE CHILDREN WELCOME? If the time an activity begins is underlined, as for example "6PM", children are welcome either to participate with the adults or to play nearby. Which of these depends on the nature of the activity. If the time is not underlined, children's presence is not advisable due to the adult nature of the activity.

HOW TO USE THE MAP OF VALDOSTA LOCATIONS: All Valdosta activities have a code after "Valdosta" in the address. A single letter refers to a Key Location which is flagged on the map. For example, "U" refers to McKey Park; find the flag labeled "U" to locate McKey Park. A hyphenated code, for example "A-1", refers to section A-1 on the map. All directions begin with a street which is named in this section. If you need a map, send us a stamped, self-addressed envelope or get one at an activity. (Note: Perimeter Road from US 41S to GA 31 is still being built.)

AUGUST WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

SUN **LUNCH** 12:30PM Join us for Sunday dinner with friends. Ask cashier where our table is; get table for 6 if you're the first there. **8/1, 8/8, & 8/15** Quincy's Family Steakhouse, St. Augustine Rd., near I-75 Exit 5, "C-2". Salad and food bars.

FELLOWSHIP 7PM-9PM Western Sizzlin' Restaurant, 907 N. Ashley St., Valdosta "C-3". 15-30 enjoy dinner or just tea & talk! Come as you are; arrive anytime. Please remember to tip your server; 15% of your total bill is average.

TUE **TENNIS** 6PM McKey Park, Burton St. off Patterson St., south of Valdosta Jr. HS, "U". Beginners, experts, all ages, all abilities--everyone is welcome! Call James Smith to guarantee someone to play with and to find our court.

VOLLEYBALL 7PM McKey Park, Burton St. off Patterson St., south of Valdosta Jr. HS, "U". The "in" place for singles on Tuesday night! Join us for fun, exercise, excitement, and friendly competition. Novices welcome--we train! Non-players socialize in the picnic shelter. Older kids may play; playground for younger ones. Ideal activity for single parents! Lately, about 35 adults and 15 children are coming. Many good players; lots of exciting volleys! If it rains heavily, go instead to the Wooden Nickel Pub, 5 Points, Valdosta "G". Volleyball is FUN, FUN, FUN!

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TUE **FOOD 'N FRIENDS** 9:30PM Wooden Nickel Pub, 5 Points, next to Park Ave. Bank, Valdosta "G". Whether or not you were at Volleyball, join us for refreshments, making new friends, and enjoying present friendships. A midweek treat! Ask cashier where our table is. Note: Last call for food at 9:45PM.

WED **DAYTIME SINGLES: LUNCH** 12:15PM Join us for your lunch hour or a leisurely lunch or coffee with friends. A wonderful midweek fellowship for those who work evenings or nights. Ask cashier for our table. **8/4 & 8/11** Po Ed's Seafood, 1408 Madison Hwy., Valdosta "D-4". $3.50 lunch plate. **8/18 & 8/25** Big O's Steakhouse, 2801 N. Ashley St., Valdosta "B-3". Country buffet $4.50.

WALKING 8PM Valdosta Jr. HS track, "L". Meet at park bench nearest water fountain to either walk the track or in nearby parks and neighborhoods. Great for exercise and fresh air! Note: Until this becomes an established activity, if nobody else comes by 8:10PM, do your own thing.

THU **DIVORCE SUPPORT GROUP** 7:30PM Oak Terrace Apts. Clubhouse, 1639 E. Park Ave., Valdosta "E". PARK AWAY FROM APARTMENTS! If you're separated or divorced, our discussions can be helpful. Our overriding aim is healing and personal growth through mutual support and encouragement. A favorite feature: hugs! Monthly speaker meeting is described below.

FOOD 'N FRIENDS 9:30PM Shoney's Restaurant, 1701 N. Ashley St., Valdosta "C-3". Whether or not you were at Divorce Support Group, join us for friendship, fun, and refreshments. Ask cashier for our table.

FRI **EAT OR MEET** 7PM Come to eat and/or just to meet other singles to go with you to movies, bowling, dancing, etc. Ask cashier where our table is; get table for 8 if you're the first there. **8/6** Jimbo's Log Kitchen, US 41N just north of Five Points, Valdosta "A-3". **8/13** Checkers Pub & Grill, 103 W. Brookwood Dr., corner of Patterson St., Valdosta "C-3". **8/20** Substation II, 2910 N. Ashley St. in the Marketplace, Valdosta "B-3". **8/27** Taco Bell, 2918 N. Ashley St., Valdosta "B-3".

AUGUST UNIQUE ACTIVITIES

MEMORY AID: (Usually) **MONDAY 1st** Rap Session **2nd** Bible Study **3rd** Singles Support Group **4th** Widow(er)s Recovery Group **FRIDAY 4th** 50-Plus Singles Dance Party **SATURDAY 1st** Multi-Ethnic Singles **2nd** Dance **3rd** Trip **4th** Parties & Outdoor Recreation **5th** Longer Trip.

MON 2 **SPIRITUALITY RAP SESSION: SUCCESS & SELF-ESTEEM FROM A CHRISTIAN VIEWPOINT** 7:30PM Oak Terrace Apts. Clubhouse, 1639 E. Park Ave., Valdosta "E". PARK AWAY FROM APARTMENTS! Rev. Andy Piland, Pastor, Providence United Methodist Church in Valdosta, who has himself had to examine his own beliefs in this area as he made the transition from being in a successful sales management career to entering the ministry, will be our speaker. He has a BBA in Marketing, M.Divinity from Emory Univ., is gifted as a counselor (he has counseled separating and divorced persons and their children), loves preaching, golf, music, and art, and is happily married with 2 teenage daughters. What is success? What is high self-esteem? How does one arrive at them?

SAT 7 **MULTI-ETHNIC SINGLES: SOFTBALL & VOLLEYBALL** 6PM Trinity Presbyterian Church, Bemiss Rd. at Mt. Zion Church Rd., Valdosta "A-4". Meet at the softball field for a co-ed game. Later we'll play volleyball and perhaps basketball. There is a children's playground. Bring your own refreshments and lawn chairs if you wish. We've been having some FUN games; let's do it again! Note: Multi-ethnic Singles was created for the relatively few Black singles in PCS who wish to meet other Black singles to provide more opportunity to do so by being designated as the activity to attend for this purpose. It has had limited success in this regard but is being continued as a special service to Black singles who wish to use it this way. Of course, as at all activities, everyone is welcome.

SUN 8 **PARTY PLANNING MEETING** 8PM Western Sizzlin' Restaurant, 907 N. Ashley St., Valdosta "C-3". Bring your suggestions for 4th weekend parties and outdoor recreation for September, October, and November. Let's make it a fun fall!

MON 9 **BIBLE STUDY: GOING BEYOND DENIAL II** 7:30PM Benny Mitcham's office, 1101 Williams St., Valdosta "C-3". 912-245-1312. We'll continue our study of the first of the 12-Steps to understand why we need to name our addictions to begin the process of recovery and we'll consider how denial operates to hide our addictions from our conscious mind. Several widespread addictions include: relationships, credit cards, being needed, materialism, rage, approval, unavailable men or women, loving too much, being responsible, shopping, chocolate, etc. We are using the Serendipity Support Group Bible Study book, 12 Steps: The Path to Wholeness which is an excellent text and guidebook. While we study from a Christian perspective, no church commitment or background is assumed or necessary.

TUE 10 **SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER INPUT DEADLINE** Submit items for publication by today to assure getting them included. This also includes activities you wish to sponsor such as bowling, dancing, dining, skating, a party at your home...

THU 12 & 19 **DIVORCE SUPPORT GROUP: LOVE, SEX, & INTIMACY--SESSIONS I & II** 7:30PM Oak Terrace Apts. Clubhouse, 1639 E. Park Ave., Valdosta "E". PARK AWAY FROM APARTMENTS! Learn the difference in men's and women's perspectives on love, sex, and intimacy; this is a major contributor to failed relationships. Learn how to have a lasting relationship; how to make your marriage affair-proof; and how, through communication, you can attain the love and sexual relationship you desire and deserve. Sue Stokes, ACOA Support Group leader, is giving us a repeat of her fun and popular seminar from last year. Take advantage of this informative seminar and knowledgeable speaker to improve your future chances for relationship success. Note: If you miss session I, you can still benefit from session II.

SAT 14 **SUMMER SLAM DANCE** 8PM American Legion Pool Clubhouse, Valdosta "H". Get on Inner Perimeter Rd.; go to its intersection with Country Club Rd.,; go 100 yards northwest on Country Club to barber shop; turn right. Clubhouse phone: 912-245-8536. Come dance to your favorite country and rock 'n roll tunes with your friends and with new singles you'll meet. We'll have many dance mixers to make it easy to get acquainted. Dress very casually and expect a night of terrific fellowship and happiness. We'll celebrate August birthdays. Free drinks, snacks, and childcare. Admission $6. Our biggest monthly happening! CHILDCARE: Trinity Presbyterian Church, Bemiss Rd. at Mt. Zion Church Rd., Valdosta "A-4". **5PM** Come help hang decorations and set up tables, chairs, etc.

SUN 15 **DANCE PLANNING MEETING** 8PM Western Sizzlin' Restaurant, 907 N. Ashley St., Valdosta "C-3". Bring your suggestions for September, October, and November's dances--themes, fun activities, general changes, etc.

MON 16 **SINGLES SUPPORT GROUP: DO YOU HAVE ENOUGH IN COMMON TO MARRY?** 7:30PM Spring Chase Apts. Clubhouse, Norman Dr., 100 yards south of St. Augustine Rd., near I-75 Exit 5, "P". PARK AWAY FROM APARTMENTS! Find out what a true mate is and get a valuable, extensive guide which will help you make relationship commitment decisions rationally in addition to emotionally and lustfully. The guide can be used to establish a foundation for good communication in marriage. We'll practice using it as we discuss its sections on recreation and leisure and aesthetic values. It's a proven tool for success!

FRI 20 **SINGLES NIGHT OUT: BOWLING** 8:30PM Valdosta Lanes, 1405 N. Lee St., "C-3". $2.25 per game including shoes. Novices and observers welcome. Sponsors: Beth Jarvis 912-241-8514 and Edwina Hiers 912-559-7533.

SAT 21 **CRYSTAL LAKE WATER PARK** 9AM Carpool from Arby's end of Bud's parking lot, I-75 Exit 5, St. Augustine Rd. at Gornto Rd., "C-2" or meet us there inside the gate at 10AM. Take I-75 to Exit 22 and follow signs. There is a beach for sunbathing and swimming, a 192-foot ride down a water slide with twists and turns, a high speed water coaster, a 1,000 feet long by 42 feet high water slide, a white waters raging river ride on inner tubes down a 400-foot cascade, and more. Bring a picnic lunch or eat at the snack bar. Admission: ages 12+ $7, 4-11 $5, under 4 free; includes all rides and attractions. We have 15 $1 discount coupons. An annual fun favorite for all ages! Contact person: Carolyn Beall 912-247-4133.

MUSIC NIGHT & DAN WALSER'S HOUSEWARMING PARTY 7PM Dan Walser's home, 5068 Pearl Davis St., Valdosta "A-4". Take Bemiss Rd. to North Ridge Rd. North (about 2 miles south of Moody AFB); turn west; turn left on Pearl Davis; last house on left (blue). 912-244-9094. Bring your instrument or voice and join us for some singing and good times. Listeners welcome. We'll help Dan open up his new home. Bring a joke or warstory and a snack. Drinks and paper goods provided. $1 cover. Ages 14+ only please. Sure to be a hilarious party since our host is well known for his highly entertaining personality! PS. He's also an avid chess player. Come for a terrific time!

MON 23 **WIDOW(ER)S RECOVERY GROUP** 7:30PM Library, 300 Woodrow Wilson Dr., Valdosta "N". Meeting Room. Make new friends who will understand your loss, support your healing, and ease your transition to single life. Excellent resources for recovery available.

FRI 27 **50-PLUS SINGLES DANCE PARTY** 8PM Craig Center, 1104 W. Gordon St., Valdosta "V". Enjoy dancing to country, big band, ballroom, square dance, 50's-60's, and modern favorites. Bring your own favorites if you wish. Nondancers can socialize or learn to dance--we teach! Come make new friends; enjoy warm fellowship, fun, and HUGS! Join all of us who look forward to coming each month! Dressy casual. $3 admission includes drinks. Optional: Bring your most bragged about homemade finger foods. Come for a delightful evening and dance to your heart's content! **6:30PM** Please come help set up.

SAT 28 **COOKOUT, DANCE, & POOL PARTY** 4PM Pat Hester's home, 2313 Deborah Dr., Valdosta "B-4". 912-242-9028. From Park Ave. go north 1 block on Forest St. to Lakeland Ave.; turn left; go 1 block to Deborah Dr.; turn right. Come early for some pool fun--water volleyball, swimming... Men bring food to cook; women bring fixings or covered dish. Drinks, paper goods, and charcoal provided. Adults $1; kids under 12 50¢. We'll start cooking at 6PM. After eating, we'll dance inside or around the pool. And a midnight swim perhaps? There is a dressing room poolside; bring lawn chairs. Sure to be a fun night for all ages; we've always had terrific times at Pat's parties. She's a super hostess!

SUN 29 **SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER ASSEMBLY** 2:30PM Library, 300 Woodrow Wilson Dr., Valdosta "N". Meeting Room. Help assemble your newsletter while you enjoy getting to know other singles. Refreshments provided.

SEPTEMBER HIGHLIGHTS

4 Softball
6 Grassy Pond Outing
11 Man's World Dance Singles dance here at church
17 50-Plus Singles Dance Party
18 O'Leno State Park--Picnic, Swimming, & Optional Camping
25 Fish Fry

OCTOBER HIGHLIGHTS

2 Flag Football
9 Dance-A-Thon
15 50-Plus Singles Dance Party
16 Providence Canyon State Park--Hiking and Camping
23 Atlanta--Underground, Coca Cola Museum, & CNN Center
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MEN

J.K. White male, 29, 5'8", 160 lbs., brown hair, brown eyes. I like bowling, swimming, parks, skating, Putt-Putt, and movies. I seek white female with similar likes and a good sense of humor. (AU3M11)

J.R. White Christian male, 54, 6', 200 lbs., blonde hair, blue eyes, seeks an attractive lady, 35-55, who is fun to be with and wants a one-on-one relationship. I like Southern Gospel and Bluegrass music, football, drawing, walking, etc. Would appreciate a photo. Thank you! (JY3M12)

WOMEN

TALL ATTRACTIVE Divorced white female, 53, health conscious, athletic, loves anything outdoors, fishing, camping, biking, nature, dogs, horses, and critters. Comfortable in jeans or groomed for fine dining. Can change on short notice. Enjoys reading, stage, early mornings, quiet times. Seeks counterpart. (AU3W11)

FRIENDLY LADY Sensitive, affectionate white female, 44, who likes mountains, sunsets, evening walks on the beach, and fun with friends. Seeking honest, sincere, educated Christian gentleman, 45-58, preferably non-smoker, who shares these interests, enjoys the quiet life, and values companionship rather than game-playing or the party scene. (JY3W12)

LIVELY LADY White widow, 50, who enjoys bowling, softball, skating, Putt-Putt, quiet evenings, holding hands, and walking in the rain, would like to meet active white male, 45-56, who loves life and is non-tobacco user, nondrinker, for companionship. (JY3W22)

CUPID'S CHOICE Warm & caring, fun loving, educated, responsible, attractive white female seeks professional Christian man, 45-55. Should have sense of humor, enjoy dancing, sports, travel, boating, & the arts. Must like children. (JU3W13)

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